

State of California  
Department of Parks and Recreation

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation  
Central Valley District  
22708 Broadway Street  
Columbia, CA 95310

PROJECT TITLE: Emergency Repairs and Tree Removal

LOCATION: Calaveras Big Trees State Park

COUNTY: Calaveras & Tuolumne

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: On December 1, 2011 wind gusts of over 70mph damaged the facilities at Calaveras Big Trees State Park (Park) causing it to close for public safety concerns. Work has and will continue to remove fallen trees from public use areas and roads; assess and remove any unstable trees that are hazardous to the public; demolish existing entrance station and rebuild; remove damaged roof material from residence #2 and replace; repair roads; repair maintenance yard roofs; remove downed trees and debris from trails; repair damaged water lines and sewer; repair damaged foot-bridges. All repair/replacement work will be done "in-kind".

. The Park reopened on December 19, 2011 after initial safety repairs were made.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Central Valley District

EXEMPT STATUS:

- ☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))  
☒ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))  
Statutory Exemption (Section: )  
☐ Categorical Exemption Class: Section:

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of emergency repairs to publicly owned service facilities necessary to maintain service essential to the public health, safety or welfare.

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